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At Large

SEAN E. POWERS  
At Large

CHARLES B. RYAN  
At Large

JOHN C. MULLANEY  
District 2



THOMAS M. BOWES  
Vice President  
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District 4

RONALD E. DENAPOLI  
District 5

PAUL "DAN" CLIFFORD  
District 6

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

**November 6, 2013**

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 beginning at 7:30p.m.

Council President Kokoros was in the chair.

The Clerk of the Council conducted the roll call.

Present: Charles Kokoros, President  
Thomas Bowes, Vice President  
Leland Dingee  
Sean Powers  
Charles Ryan  
John Mullaney  
Henry Joyce  
Paul Dan Clifford

Not Present: Ronald DeNapoli

Others: Christine Stickney, Director of Planning & Community Development  
Dennis Regan, National Grid  
Russell Jenkins, Chief of Police  
Timothy Fallon, Fallon Ambulance Service  
Rick Tonzi, South Shore Plaza  
Christopher Scharff, Braintree MarketPlace  
Representatives of Granite Park Association

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 032 13 Council President: Fallon Ambulance Service Recognition of 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 030 13 Council President: Recycling of Old Trash Barrels/Recycling Bins
- 032 13 Council President: Fall Yardwaste Curbside Pick-up
- 038 13 Council President: Braintree Christmas Party for Toys for Tots
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- 043 13 Council President: Veterans Day Observance
- 044 13 Council President: Trash Cart Pickup Schedule

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- **October 15, 2013**

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to approve minutes of October 15, 2013

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1- DeNapoli)

## **CITIZEN CONCERNS/COUNCIL RESPONSE**

- **042 13 Council President: Police Department/South Shore Plaza/MarketPlace Traffic Holiday Plans**

The Council President informed members that this Order will be taken up as the last item of the evening.

Rick Tonzi, General Manager, South Shore Plaza (SSP), commented that police details will begin on Black Friday and continue through the end of December. It represents 1,100 hours of police details. In addition, the South Shore Plaza will increase SSP security personnel during this same holiday period.

Councilor Mullaney asked if there are more arrests at the plaza during the holiday season. Chief Jenkins stated that there are generally less due to the congestion at the plaza however, there are more car break-ins.

Alan Flowers, Granite Park Association, that vehicles are beginning to backup on Forbes Road and is concerned that vehicles will begin to drive through the neighborhood once again. In addition, the neighborhood is concerned with criminal activity. Chief Jenkins commented that he is aware of the backup on Forbes Road and the South Shore Plaza has hired a police detail at the traffic control box to facilitate traffic flow. Chief Jenkins asked that if residents see suspicious vehicles in any neighborhood to call the police station and a police officer will be dispatched.

Christopher Scharff, General Manager of the Braintree MarketPlace, reported that a police detail has been assigned at the traffic control box at the beginning of Grossman Drive beginning on Black Friday through the end of December; representing 300 hours of police details. In addition, the individual stores hire their own police details based on past experiences.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- **13 040 NationalGrid: Petition – 96 Conrad Street**

Councilor Ryan, Chairman of the Public Works Committee, reported that the committee recommends favorable recommendations with staff recommendations.

**Motion:** by Councilor Ryan to approve Order 13 040 with staff recommendations

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1- DeNapoli)

- **13 041 Mayor: Appropriation from Community Preservation Fund – Elm Street Cemetery**

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to open public hearing on Order 13 041

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Councilor Clifford, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, reported that the committee recommended favorable action on the appropriation request.

Council President Kokoros asked if any members of the Council or anyone from the public would like to speak on the appropriation request. No one came forward.

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to close public hearing on Order 13 041

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

Councilor Bowes read the motion as printed in the September 18, 2013 memo from Mayor Sullivan.

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to approve Order 13 041

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

- **13 042 Mayor: Appointment of Lucille A. Barton to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors**

Councilor Clifford, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, reported that the committee recommended favorable action on the appointment of Lucille Barton to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors.

Councilor Bowes read the motion as printed in the September 30, 2013 memo from Mayor Sullivan.

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to approve Order 13 042

**Second:** by Councilor Powers

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

- **13 043 Mayor: Appointment of Henry N. Joyce, Jr. to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors**

Councilor Clifford, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, reported that the committee recommended favorable action on the appointment of Henry Joyce to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors.

Councilor Bowes read the motion as printed in the September 30, 2013 memo from Mayor Sullivan.

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to approve Order 13 043

**Second:** by Councilor Ryan

**Vote:** For (7), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli), Abstain (1-Joyce)

- **13 044 Mayor: Appointment of Ann M. Moore to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors**

Councilor Clifford, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee, reported that the committee recommended favorable action on the appointment of Ann Moore to the Department of Elder Affairs Board of Directors.

Councilor Bowes read the motion as printed in the September 30, 2013 memo from Mayor Sullivan.

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to approve Order 13 044

**Second:** by Councilor Ryan

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Refer to the Committee on Public Works**

- 13 056 NationalGrid: Petition – 61 Somerville Avenue
- 13 058 NationalGrid: Petition – 97 Eleanor Drive

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Orders 13 056 and 13 058 to Committee

**Second:** by Councilor Ryan

**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

### **Refer to the Committee on Ways & Means**

- 039 13 Councilor Dingee: Financial Audit Meeting Expenses

Councilor Bowes asked if the questionnaire on travel expenses were to be included with the review. Council President responded that they would.

Councilor Powers questioned why it was not being referred to Rules and Ordinances as a new policy may be put into place. Councilor Dingee responded that it should be referred to both committees. Ways & Means will be reviewing financial issues and make a recommendation the Rules & Ordinance Committee to establish a policy.

- Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 039 13 to both Committees  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 047 Mayor: Supplemental Appropriations FY14 – School

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 047 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 048 Mayor: Supplemental Appropriations FY14 – Municipal License and Inspection/Mileage Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 048 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 049 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – DPW/Vandalism Repairs Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 049 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 050 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – Municipal License and Inspection/Mileage Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 050 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 051 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – Municipal License and Inspection/Administrative Clerical Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 051 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 052 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – Finance/IT Maintenance Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 052 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
- 13 053 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – DPW/Waste Collections Consultant Account

**Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 053 to Committee  
**Second:** by Councilor Ryan  
**Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

- 13 054 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – DPW/Building Repairs Account
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 054 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
  
- 13 055 Mayor: Line Item Transfer FY14 – Sewer/Bond Principal Account
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 055 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
  
- 13 057 Board of Assessors: FY2014 Tax Levy
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 057 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
  
- 13 059 Mayor: Appointment of Richard McDonough to Zoning Board of Appeals
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 059 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
  
- 13 060 Mayor: Appropriation from Community Preservation Fund – Braintree Soldier’s Memorial Statue
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 060 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)
  
- 13 061 Councilor Clifford: Council Compensation
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 13 061 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

**Refer to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules**

- 040 13 Councilor Powers: Policy and Procedure for Storm Communications
  - Motion:** by Councilor Bowes to refer Order 040 13 to Committee
  - Second:** by Councilor Ryan
  - Vote:** For (8), Against (0), Absent (1-DeNapoli)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
James M. Casey  
Clerk of the Council

## **Documents provided for Meeting**

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